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REMARKS

Claims 1-43 are pending in the application with claims 44-54 canceled herein as being drawn to a non-election invention.

Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-43, drawn to a deposition method using a surface activation agent and chemisorption of subsequent layers. Applicants object to the characterization of claims 1-43 on page 2 of the Office Action. The characterization describes claims 1-43 as "drawn to method of forming an active region using epitaxial layered overgrowth." The characterization appears misdescriptive of claims 1-43. Clearly, the claimed method is not limited to epitaxial processes as stated on page 6, lines 5-7. Also, Applicants assert that "active region" is not a term used in the present application and does not have any recognizable meaning. Further, "layered overgrowth" is not used in the present application and does not have a clear meaning. Accordingly, the misdescriptive characterization of claims 1-43 threatens to imply claim limitations not literally set forth in claims 1-43. Applicants request recharacterization of claims 1-43 in the next Office Action in keeping with the literal claim terms.

Applicants request prosecution of claims 1-43 on the merits in the next Office Action.

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